

M. M. O'Connell, Chairman

left Singapore on Thursday March 15
 at 2 p.m., and may be expected here
 on or about Thursday the 20th inst.
 The *Yokohama* is expected to be
 despatched from Hongkong on Japh. 16
 The *O. S. R. Co.'s s. s. Oceania* left Singa-
 pore on March 14 and is expected
 here about March 20.
 The *Tate Line s. s. Aurora*, from Hongkong
 left Singapore on March 13, and may
 be expected here on or about March 20.
 The *S. S. D. R. s. s. Goyle*, from Hamburg
 left Singapore to-day for the port of
 London.
 The *P. & O. S. N. Company's s. s. Tash-
 me* left Bombay for this port on the 17th inst.
 There were 2,423 visitors to the City and
 Museum during the week ending March 15
 of whom 205 were Europeans.

The steamer *Mae Valrie*, which, arriving yesterday from Saigon, reports that on Saturday, 17th inst., a Chinese passenger fell into the sea. It is not reported, however, whether a successful attempt was made to save him.

THE Q. P. R. s. a. Empress of China, Captain Archibald, R.N.R., from Yancowee arrived at Yokohama at 2 a.m. on the 19 inst., and left again at 3 p.m. today for Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Shimonoseki.

We believe that application has been made that the private in the Hongkong Regiment, who was sentenced to death in the Criminal Session this afternoon, should be executed in presence of the Regiment at Kowloon.

Brevet Captain Hastings at the Magistrate's Court.

was, was fined \$350, with the alternative of three months imprisonment, for having in his possession unlawfully 25 seals of prepared opium. He had been sworn to be convicted previously.

We have received a copy of the first issue of the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, a new paper which means to keep its readership up to date, as so frequently the physical necessities admit, of all the occurrences of the great province of Chihli likely to interest them, especially of the capital and of the coast. It is not a paper of imposing dimensions, but it promises well, and we cordially wish it success.

The appointment of the 'Residential Commissioner' is gazetted. The member is — Mr Justice Oloha (Chairman), Hon. C. P. Chatter, Hon. A. J. K. Kaur, and Mr Thomas Jackson. The last named gentleman has been appointed as a prominent outsider instead of Mr N. T. The latter having had to decline the honor which His Excellency the Governor offered him on account of the improbability of the work of the commission terminating before the date of his proposed departure from the Colony on leave.

INTELLIGENCE was received by Messrs De Sasseoon, Sons and Co., yesterday, of the death of Mr Solomon Sasseoon, chief partner in the firm at Bombay. Mr. Solomon Sasseoon came to China when quite a lad, and in 1868 was made a partner of the firm. In 1866 he completed the Hongkong branch, and displayed much energy and ability in the management of the firm's business. During his two years' residence in the Colony he was connected with all leading local enterprises, and was on the directorate of several of the joint companies. In 1874, he was relieved by his brother Mr Frederick Sasseoon, and took over charge of the Hongkong Branch. He died on the 10th inst. at the age of 53. He was deceased was fifty-three years of age.

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